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1. [] the following vessels were at Shanghai:

a. One 1,600- to 1,700-ton Chinese Communist transport moored alongside the bank at Woosung. The dark grey transport, believed to be a converted merchant ship, had one funnel near the stern and two derricks. The vessel was armed with one 3-inch gun with turret on the bow, one 3-inch gun near the stern, and one antiaircraft machine gun on each side of the bridge. The bridge was located in front of the funnel. [] 25X1

b. One landing craft, with the characters T'AI HSING SHAN (1132/5887/1472)¹ on the stern, anchored at buoy 44. The craft was armed with one 1 1/2-inch gun on the bow and one on the stern, and one smaller caliber gun on both sides amidships. 25X1

c. One similar landing craft, with the characters T'AI YIN SHAN (1132/71113/1472) on the stern, moored at buoy 43. This craft had the same armament as the T'AI HSING SHAN. 25X1

2. On 18 September, the following vessels were at Shanghai:

a. The landing craft T'AI CHEN SHAN (1132/4176/1472) anchored at buoy 42. The vessel was similar to and had the same type of armament as the T'AI HSING SHAN. 25X1

b. The freighter CHANG CHUN, painted dark green and flying a five-star flag, unloading coal at the Yangshup'u (2799/2885/3183) Wharf. 25X1

c. The SS HUNAN near the Yangshup'u Wharf proceeding toward the Huangp'u Wharf. 25X1

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1.  Comment. The T'AI HSING SHAN has been reported as a naval LST in Shanghai. 
 LST's operated by Chinese Communist naval authorities in Shanghai are named after mountains (SHAN); however, the T'AI YIN SHAN and the T'AI CHEN SHAN have not been previously identified.

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